

Shellfish Commission

Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 7:30 PM

Town Campus, Room B

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

1. Attendance

Present: Steve Nikituk, Perry Rianhard, Justice Lee, and Chelsea Lee. Absent were: Meig Walz, and Kevin Clark.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman's Report – Steve Nikituk

1. Bills and Correspondence/Newspaper Bills: -- no report
2. Liaison with Clinton Shellfish Commission--no report
3. Liaison with Guilford Shellfish Commission--no report
4. 2023 Activities: a) DHHS Docker/Amenta students --no report

3. Approval of minutes

May 2023 – Justice Lee said that under his report that it was Mike Gilman who wanted to get into Ridge Road to look at the area for possible Oyster shells recycling and not Steve Amott from NOAA. Motion to approve the May meeting minutes was made by Perry Rianhard, seconded by Steve Nikituk and unanimously passed as amended. (There was no quorum in June)

REPORTS

4. Chairperson's Report

5. Commissioner's Report

Commissioners' Reports –Perry Rianhard

1. Steamer beds at Seaview Beach -- Steve Nikituk told Perry to get 3,000 clam seed and spread them at Seaview.
- 2, Manage weekend closing due to rainfall and rain gauge – no report

Commissioners' Reports – Chelsea Lee

- _1. Water Testing. samples taken July 11th at all stations and everything is closed now since the flood affecting Long Island Sound with debris from the Connecticut River
2. Plankton Testing. samples taken April 24th – samples sent to Milford.
3. Hard Clams –waiting to hear from the Hard Clam people
4. Clam Digs 2023 – no report
5. Commission Member Special Projects -- no report

Commissioners' Reports –Justice Lee

_Justice said that he would drive to Atlantic City to pick up the hard clams. Steve Nikituk said that the hatchery knows how to get them to us

- _1. Boat Maintenance – no report
2. Grady Status – no report

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Chelsea Lee, seconded by Steve Nikituk and unanimously passed at 7:55 p.m..

Respectfully submitted: Abigail White